

4/Respectively 18/20/00 PATENT

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE U.S. POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON

Alcember 5, 2002

SIGNATURE 12-5-0

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

John P. O'Loughlin

Serial No.

09/840,196

Filed

April 23, 2001

For

INFLATABLE SIDE CURTAIN WITH

FILL TUBE

Group Art Unit

3611

Examiner

J. Lum

Attorney Docket No.

TRW (VSSIM) 4719-1

Cleveland, OH 44114-1400

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

## PETITION TO EXTEND PERIOD FOR RESPONSE

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. \$1.136(a), applicant hereby requests a one (1) month extension of the period for response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2002. The response date set in the Office Action was November 26, 2002. A response is being filed herewith today, December 5, 2002, which is within the first month after the response date. A check is enclosed in the amount of \$110.00, which is the fee required for a one month extension.

Accordingly, applicant hereby requests that the period for response be extended by one (1) month so that the response filed herewith will be considered timely filed.

12/11/2002 SSESHE1 00000078 09840196

01 FC:1251

110.00 OP

Serial No.: 09/840,196

Please credit any overpayment or charge any further fees for this document to our Deposit Account No. 20-0090.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew M. Shaheen Reg. No. 45,367

TAROLLI, SUNDHEIM, COVELL TUMMINO & SZABO L.L.P. 526 Superior Avenue 1111 Leader Building Cleveland, OH 44114-1400 (216) 621-2234 (216) 621-4072 (Facsimile)